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May 3, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I strongly support the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for Coastal Trail planning at Mori Point in San Mateo County.

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Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Peace and friendship,

  
JOHN L. BURTON  
President pro Tempore  
California State Senate

Cc: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

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April 23, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I strongly support the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for Coastal Trail planning at Mori Point in San Mateo County.

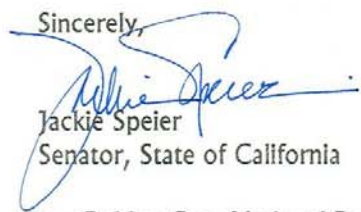
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Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

  
Jackie Speier  
Senator, State of California

cc: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

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May 4, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

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Thank you for your consideration of this application. If you have any further questions please feel free to contact my district office at (415) 557-3013.

Sincerely,

MARK LENO  
Assemblyman, 13<sup>th</sup> District

cc: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

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April 23, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I write to convey my most enthusiastic endorsement of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy (GGNPC) grant application for Coastal Trail planning at Mori Point in San Mateo County.

This grant will fund the determination of the alignment of the California Coastal Trail at Mori Point and the preparation of plans and construction documents necessary for development of the trail. The GGNPC's proposal will also facilitate the analysis of trails connecting to the Coastal Trail from local communities and ensure that planning efforts maximize the Park Service's commitment to protect coastal resources. Most significantly, the project ensures the public's enhanced access to this special place on California's coast.

I fully support the timing of the proposal to ensure the following:

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I'd be pleased to provide any further information you desire to reach an affirmative response to the GGNPC's application. I appreciate your time and attention to this most worthy San Mateo County coastal project.

Sincerely,

Gene Mullin  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER, 19<sup>TH</sup> District

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Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

The City of Pacifica strongly supports the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for Coastal Trail planning at Mori Point in San Mateo County. This grant will make it possible to determine the alignment of the California Coastal Trail on the property and to prepare plans and construction documents necessary for development of the trail. Further, this grant will facilitate the analysis of trails connecting to the Coastal Trail from local communities and ensure that planning efforts maximize the Park Service's additional commitment to protect coastal resources. All of this is important to ensuring the public's enhanced access to this special place on California's coast.

Trail planning and management are critically important to the public's ability to access this regionally significant open space. The partnership between the City of Pacifica and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in the management of federal lands within the city enhance the quality of life for all Californians. The completion of the trail connection is essential to the California Coastal Trail system.

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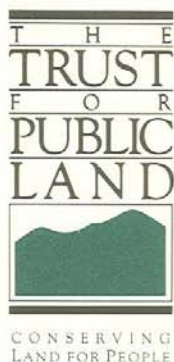
Sincerely,

James M. Vreeland, Jr.  
Mayor, City of Pacifica

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Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman  
State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

The Trust for Public Land (TPL) strongly supports the application of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy for Coastal Trail planning at Mori Point in San Mateo County. This grant will make it possible to determine the alignment of the California Coastal Trail on the property and to prepare plans and construction documents necessary for development of the trail. Further, this grant will facilitate the analysis of trails connecting to the Coastal Trail from local communities and ensure that planning efforts maximize the Park Service's additional commitment to protect coastal resources. All of this is important to ensuring the public's enhanced access to this special place on California's coast.

As you know, TPL acquired Mori Point at auction September 2000 for \$3.4 million, thanks in part to a \$1,000,000 grant from the Coastal Conservancy. TPL subsequently conveyed the property to the National Parks Service as an addition to the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Although our role in protecting Mori Point is now complete, we applaud the ongoing efforts of the GGNRA and the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy to plan for how best to manage this special property.

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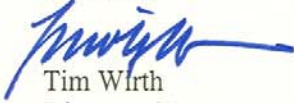
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Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,



Tim Wirth  
Director, SF Bay Area Program

cc: Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy

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April 30, 2004

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State Coastal Conservancy  
1330 Broadway, 11th Floor  
Oakland, CA 94612

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POST has been preserving land on the San Francisco Peninsula for over 27 years. Our efforts are currently focused on our \$200 million campaign, *Saving the Endangered Coast*. Through this campaign we will protect 20,000 acres of open space along the San Mateo County Coast for future generations to enjoy. Our current focus and belief in the value of our coast make us especially interested in the California Coastal Trail and the public's access to it. The California Coastal Trail will eventually run through properties that we own or have protected and we are therefore very interested in the trail as a whole.

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Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

  
Audrey C. Rust  
President

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